



Minneapolis Tap Water

There are many reasons to choose tap over bottled

The City of Minneapolis takes pride in its drinking water. Minneapolis tap water is healthy, safe, great tasting, and economical. It's among the best tap water in the nation, and has even come out on top in blind taste tests against bottled water.

Our City delivers safe, clean tap water that meets or exceeds federal and state guidelines for water safety. On average, 500 tests a day are performed on our tap water to maintain a high level of quality.

In addition to making the water clean and safe, we soften the water so customers don't have to buy expensive water softening equipment on their own. We also add fluoride to help prevent tooth decay.

Thanks to our efforts, our City water was ranked 10th among U.S. drinking water systems in cities with populations of 250,000 and higher by the Environmental Working Group, a Washington, D.C.-based environmental advocacy organization.

Consumers who buy bottled water may not realize what an economical bargain Minneapolis tap water is. For the price of one 20-ounce bottle of water out of a typical vending machine, you could nearly fill about 10 bathtubs with Minneapolis tap water.

Minneapolis tap water is also a better environmental choice. Bottled water is packaged at a factory and shipped to consumers. The bottles are discarded once the water is consumed, causing unnecessary waste. Minneapolis tap water comes straight to homes and offices without the needless use of these resources.

Residents outside Minneapolis also enjoy our drinking water. Our tap water goes to homes and businesses in Columbia Heights, Crystal, Golden Valley, Hilltop, New Hope and the Morningside neighborhood of Edina. It's one of the sources for Bloomington's tap water. People at the international airport and Fort Snelling State Park get our drinking water, too.

